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INTERLOCKING TREES DATASTORE**

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Dear Sir:

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION VIA FACSIMILE  
FILING OF A RESPONSE**

I hereby certify that the attached Response in the above-identified patent application, along with a Request for a One-month Extension of Time and any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, is being transmitted to telefax number **703-872-9306**.

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**FIRST RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT**

This is responsive to the official Patent Office Communication of 2-10-05,  
rejecting all remaining claims 36-75 under section 101.

Claim 1 is cancelled, without prejudice, responsive to the restriction requirement.

The examiner noted within the body of the action that there was a one-month time period for reply. Accordingly, please consider this a request for a one-month extension of time to make this response timely. Note however that the cover page indicated a three-month reply period, and that this apparent extension of time should be honored without requirement for payment, as the action was docketed for a three month reply based on the cover page.

Please charge any additional fees required to maintain pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3790.

A listing of claims follows on the next page, and remarks with discussion of the amendment and rejection are on subsequent pages.